## MARION ENERGY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE Meeting Minutes 23 Jul 2012

- 1. The meeting convened at 7:00PM in the Marion Music Hall.
- 2. Marion meeting attendees:

David Pierce
Bill Saltonstall

Norman Hills Jennifer Francis

Eunice Manduca

Steve Kokkins

- 3. Others present: Ted North, Eric Trippoli
- 4. The revision 2 minutes from 4 Jun 2012 were approved.
- 5. Green Community qualification discussion:
  - Criterion #1 as-of-right:
    - Development of a Town by-law progress addressed under Solar by-law section below
    - o Bill is talking to Seth Pickering with respect to the potential landfill project to see if the Green Communities would accept it.
  - Criterion #3 energy audit:
    - One page energy audit summary report was distributed electronically prior to the meeting. Discussion at the meeting addressed
      - Lack of detail, we need more information
      - Since there is still uncertainty about the future status of the Town House it was decided that any action there would be deferred until some decision was reached
      - Looking at the impact of the proposed actions, the Sippican School would be the highest single facility to work on
      - Prioritization of the efforts would be (1) lighting upgrades as a whole in all facilities except the Town House, (2) Fire Department boiler controls and insulation, (3) Music Hall and Library boiler replacements
      - Need to provide copy of the summary report to Gene Jones so he is aware of the Sippican School item, Norm will do that
      - Norm will draft a report to the Selectmen to provide the summary report to them
  - Criterion #4 Fuel efficient vehicles
    - o No progress to report. Norm will work on update.
  - Criterion #5 -Stretch Code:
    - o No progress to report, Bill has been working other items.

## 6. Energy Wise articles:

• Euncie volunteered to draft an article on the Harbormaster's facilities and functions, and in particular, how funds are used. Jennifer will help

## 7. Solar by-law:

- Jon Witten had provided his comments to the two proposed draft by-laws that had been developed. He recommended that the one specifically for the land fill not be pursued and that the concept be included in one by-law
- Bill and Jennifer presented the two draft by-laws along with Jon Witten's comments to the Planning Board on 16 July. The Planning Board intends to send them to Jon Witten. Bill subsequently provided the Planning Board an updated draft that included the comments that we had received from Jon Witten
- Steve provided his Planning Board concerns with respect to the desirability of the first installation being at the landfill. He believes that installations should be limited to the landfill and industrial zoned areas initially and then address residential. Bill noted that much of Marion is residential. Steve's other concerns included installation methods and site plan review requirements. There was a longer discussion with respect to specific comments on installation methods and locations and applicability of site plan review requirements
- Ted North provided a hard copy of his comments with respect to the proposed by-laws, it was not reviewed in detail at the meeting
  - Ted also commented on the need to have a stretch code approved by Town
    Meeting and the fact that some communities have not approved a stretch code.
    Without approval, the Green Communities could not go forward. He questioned if
    it was worth the effort just to comply with Green Communities requirements
  - Ted also noted that he had developed a 17 community by-law comparative analysis for the Planning Board. It was requested that he provide an electronic copy to David so that this committee could also review it.
- It is not clear yet when the Fall Town Meeting will be scheduled
- 8. David noted that the September meeting is normally the Regional meeting and questioned if we should continue to that goal. It was agreed that we should. David then stated that he did not yet have a speaker and requested suggestions. Committee members are to provide suggestions directly to David.
- 9. The meeting schedule for 2012 will continue to meet at 7PM on the fourth Monday of each month at the Music Hall. The projected meeting schedule is: 27 Aug, 24 Sep, 22 Oct, 26 Nov.
- 10. Meeting adjourned at 8:10 PM.

Respectfully,

Norman A. Hills, secretary